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Box No. I Basis of the report

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The international application as originally filed/furnished

the description:

pages _____, as originally filed/furnished

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the claims:

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pages* _____, as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19

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V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-15	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-15	YES
	Claims		NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-15	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations

Document 1: US 5763359 A (Dow AgroSciences LLC), 09 June 1998

Document 2: F. HEIN et al., "Synthesis of N-(Perfluoro-t-butyl) pyrazoles from Hexafluoroacetone Azine by Trifluoromethyl Group Migration," J. C. S. Chem. Comm., 18, pages 792-793, 1979

Document 3: US 5536701 A (Monsanto Co.), 16 July 1996

Document 4: B. J. GAEDE et al., "Novel Perfluoroalkyl-Substituted Pyrazoles. 1. Hydroxypyrazoles," H. Heterocyclic Chem., 30 (1), pages 49-54, 1993

Document 5: B. C. HAMPER et al., "Cyclocondensation of Alkylhydrazines and β -substituted Acetylenic Esters: Synthesis of 3-Hydroxypyrazoles," J. Org. Chem., 57 (21) pages 5680-5686, 1992

Document 6: K. H. PARK et al., "Novel Migration of Aryl Group in Pyrazole Aryl Ether," Bull. Korean Chem. Soc., 17 (2), pages 113-114, 1996

Document 7: K. J. HWANG et al., "Substituent Influenced Alkylation of 3-Substituted 5-Hydroxypyrazoles: Claisen Rearrangement of 5-Allyoxypyrazoles," Heterocycles, 36 (6), pages 1375-1380, 1993

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Document 8: K. J. HWANG et al., "Synthesis and Antifungal Activities of 3-Trifluoromethyl-4-Allyl-5-Hydroxypyrazoles," Korean J. of Med. Chem., 2 (2), pages 122-126, 1992

Document 9: K. L. KEEs et al., "New Potent Antihyperglycemic Agents in db/db Mice: Synthesis and Structure-Activity Relationship Studies of (4-Substituted bezyl) (trifluoromethyl) pyrazoles and -pyrazolones," J. Med. Chem., 39 (20), pages 3920-3928, 1996

Document 10: WO 02/062770 A1 (Kumiai Chemical Ind. Co., Ltd.), 15 August 2002

Claims 1-15

The inventions that are set forth in claims 1-15 are novel and involve an inventive step in relation to documents 1-10 cited in the international search report.

Documents 1-10 disclose compounds that are indicated as being "excluded" from the scope of the present international application, and it cannot be considered to be easy to conceive of the compounds that are set forth in the present international application by generalizing the disclosures that pertain to the compounds disclosed in any of these documents.